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Applicants:	Geddes, et al.	)	Conf. No.:	6557
Application No.:	10/536,502	)	Art Unit:	2858
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Title:	HIGH SENSITIVITY ASSAYS FOR PATHOGEN DETECTION USING METAL- ENHANCED FLUORESCENCE	)	Customer No.:	<b>24239</b>

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**RESPONSE TO AUGUST 26, 2009 FINAL OFFICE ACTION IN U.S. PATENT  
APPLICATION NO. 10/536,502**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the August 26, 2009 Office Action issued for the above-identified application, applicants submit the following response: